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### Bible History.

The first of a series of lectures on "The Books of the Bible" will be delivered in the lecture room of the First Presbyterian Church to-night by the pastor, Rev. J. C. Campbell. The first lecture will be on "History of the Old Testament." The preliminary services will be conducted by the Rev. T. A. Wharton, of North Carolina. All are cordially invited.

### Pay Day at the Machine Works.

The employees of the Roanoke Machine Works were paid off yesterday, receiving something over \$50,000. This is for November work. The pay roll for October reached \$68,500, the largest amount ever paid out for labor in one month. There were about 1,500 men employed ten hours per day in October, the force being about 300 less during November.

### Junior Hose Company's Ball.

The Junior Hose Company will have their Christmas eve ball to-night at 8 o'clock in their hall on Third avenue s. w. The company intends to have uniforms as soon as they can raise money enough to buy them, and to fit themselves up with a complete outfit. The proceeds from the ball will be devoted to this purpose.

### The Contract for the Blacksmith Shop Awarded.

Coffros & Evans, of Baltimore, have been awarded the contract for furnishing the roof to the reconstructed blacksmith shop at the Machine Works, and the material is to be delivered within thirty days. The shop is entirely cleaned out, and workmen have started laying the blast pipe.

## THE PRIZE WINNERS

### Interesting Meeting at the Opera House.

Mayor Evans Presides and Dr. Filippo Speaks.

The Times Prize Essay Contest is Decided. Dr. Filippo Brings Down the House with His Graphic Description of His Early School Days—The Prizes Are Delivered—The Winning Essays and Those Receiving Honorable Mention Given in Full.

The faces of several hundred school children bore a look of eager expectancy, as they looked up at Dr. Filippo at the Opera House yesterday afternoon. They were there to hear him make a short address and then name the winners in the TIMES PRIZE ESSAY CONTEST, and to see the bright five-dollar gold pieces given to the successful competitors. It would be hardly fair to say that the teachers were not equally interested, for they were.

On the platform with Dr. Filippo were Mayor Evans, who presided; Col. J. E. Penn, Superintendent of Schools; School Commissioner Stevens, and Principals Maury and Beckham. Mayor Evans opened the meeting informally by presenting the well-known pastor of the Baptist Church, who said:

"This inspiring scene brings up the memories of bygone days, pleasant and sad. We used to have boys and girls then, now they are all young ladies and gentlemen. When I looked at you my memory went back like a flash of lightning to early days and I thought of the advantages which you have and which we had not."

"In my school days we generally had log cabin school houses. The one where I first went to school had a slab roof and a dirt floor. Our parents wanted us to stand on a firm foundation I suppose. There was only one chair and one table, on which the schoolmaster rested his tired limbs when he took his daily nap, and he always had one. The children all sat on slab benches with sprawling legs."

"We couldn't reach the floor with our feet, and the benches had no backs. Once in a while the legs would come out and the benches would be turned over and we would have to sit on the slab sides and stretch out our legs, and when we went home our mothers would turn us round and round, and say those benches ought to be fixed, and then put new patches in our old clothes."

"All the classes were spelling classes and the teacher used to sit with a switch as long as an angling rod and read out words in a stentorian voice. The best scholar was the one who could spell the fastest and showed the most skill in getting around the corners with the terminations."

Here Dr. Filippo gave an illustration of the methods of spelling, which defied reproduction, but which convulsed the audience with laughter. He continued with further stories of old-time school life, which held the closest attention of his youthful audience.

"My first composition," said he, "was written with a goose quill on foolscap, a fitting combination, and my subject was 'Woman,' and it ran away with me. How well I remember the sinking heart with which I stood in front of the teacher and heard the rules read. The sixth rule forbade boys and girls playing together at noon. That was all I went to school for, and I broke that rule every day, and have been a sinner that way ever since."

"But now I can see how much brighter, how much more polished, how much better taught are the scholars of to-day than we were. All honor to THE TIMES for inaugurating this friendly contest which has provided a mental stimulus for you. I believe it will do you good and only good. I believe that in offering prizes it has stimulated latent energies you didn't know you possessed, and in so doing lead you to nobler and better lives to fit you for the life to come."

Dr. Filippo then read the essay which was found to have been written by Miss Fannie P. Boley, of Grade A, Room 2, of Third Ward school, to whom a special \$5 prize will be given for the best essay submitted from any school. He then proceeded to call the names of the prize winners, who came up as called and were presented with the well-earned prizes. Those who deserved honorable mention were also named, and then the audience was dismissed.

Below will be found the prize-winning essays as well as those which were given honorable mention. Each is signed with the name of its author, the school, and teacher.

#### The Prize Winners.

If I want to please all about Roanoke rather than to gratify a few, I will try and say something in her favor which she surely deserves. Eight years ago Roanoke was what I called "a little, old-fashioned town." I lived on Railroad avenue (this was the main street then). On this street was a grocery and a dry goods store, a saloon and a snackbar. There were from four to five hundred inhabitants here then. Just think of it! I believe that Roanoke exceeds "the old woman's pig." She said that her pig grew larger and more intelligent each day, but look at Roanoke! She not only grows large and intelligent, but wiser and stronger—stronger in heart and wiser in thought. She has the wisest men, the best papers, the best churches, the most powerful industries, the best public schools, the strongest water, the best street railway, the greatest number of saloons, and more Africans than another city I have ever been in. Roanoke has a large number of fine hotels, but I believe the most crowded one is Hotel Traynam. I think there is not a city in the whole United States any more healthy according to population than Roanoke, which I believe now has about twenty thousand. Its scenery is beautiful, and I do not know of a place more beautiful for a home than Roanoke. I will not take up the time to name the different industries and other things of importance. I will only say that they are thriving and numerous.

Roanoke is a thriving and well-to-do city. TIMES! TIMES! is what every one calls for, and I think THE TIMES is Roanoke's best friend. FANNIE P. BOLEY, Room No. 2, A Grade, Third Ward. Miss Eskloff, teacher.

II. The Magic City! How often have we heard that name, and how well it has been applied. "To what?" you would ask. To the city of Roanoke, the Queen City of the South, a city which any inhabitant might be proud to own and protect against the "dander" and talk of those who are less fortunate in their progress. Why is Roanoke so fortunate? Because she has live, active men, who are trying to advance and promote the business and advantages of Roanoke. And who are those men? Why, the real estate agents and the energetic young men of our Roanoke papers, and of THE ROANOKE TIMES especially. THE TIMES is a spicy paper of eight pages, which, were it stopped, great would be the loss to Roanoke. Long may THE ROANOKE TIMES flourish!

Other advantages are the Roanoke Machine Works, which employ a large corps of men, the Rolling Mill, situated in the eastern part of the city; the Canning Factory is also situated in the eastern part. Another thing which shows the prosperity of Roanoke is her hotels, which are always full of guests. The Continental, Hotel Roanoke, Hotel Felix, and the Ponce de Leon, which has just been opened, are among the most prominent of the hotels. And there is no end of boarding-houses. We have some beautiful churches. The Presbyterian, which has not been completed very long; the Methodists have a beautiful church, which has been completed about a year; the Baptists have one under construction now that will be a very elegant and costly edifice when finished; then the Lutherans have just demolished their old church, and are making preparations for building a new one; the Episcopal, Catholic, Northern Methodist, and Second Lutheran are among the others. Among other costly buildings are the First and Second Ward school buildings. The railroad offices are a source of industry to a great many young men.

Other industries are the Paper Bag Factory, Street Railway, Bridgewater Carriage Works, two furnaces, one at the east end of the city and the other at the west end. Two railroads meet here, the Norfolk and Western and Shenandoah Valley. We will soon have another one, the Roanoke and Southern. The Gas and Water Works, the Dummy Line, Telephone Exchange, Messrs. Robert and James Wright, managers. Our beautiful spring at the foot of Mill Mountain is a source of pleasure to every visitor in Roanoke, with its pure water gushing out of the mountain and quenching the thirst of many a weary traveler treading the journey of life.

May the name of Roanoke always be as pure as the water of that spring. FLORA LEWIS, Principal's Grade, First Ward School. Prof. Maury, principal.

III. Roanoke is situated in the east central part of Roanoke county; it is in the Blue Ridge mountains. The name Roanoke is an Indian name. Roanoke has a healthful climate, and has very pretty scenery. The country that surrounds it is very pretty and fertile. This place has grown very rapidly in a few years. The principal industries of Roanoke are manufacturing and the buying and selling of real estate. The people of Roanoke are not very sociable. There are people here from different parts of the world. The value of property in Roanoke is between fifteen and twenty millions. The Norfolk and Western and Shenandoah Valley railroads pass through Roanoke. There are street railways in Roanoke, one from Roanoke to Salem, and the other from Roanoke to Vinton. There are seven religious denominations in Roanoke. They are the Baptist, Methodist, Christian, Presbyterian, Lutheran, Episcopal and Catholic. The schools here are very good. There are some very pretty streets in Roanoke. They are Campbell street, Church street, Mountain street and Jefferson street; the business streets are Salem avenue, Jefferson street, Commerce street and Campbell street. Roanoke has some very fine buildings. Among the owners are Mr. Woodrum, Mr. Huffman, Dr. Luck, Dr. Kirk and many others. There are a great many prominent people here. Some of their names are: Mayor W. G. Evans, Dr. O. F. Filippo, Mr. Penn, Hon. H. S. Trout, Mr. J. S. Simmons, Mr. R. B. McGowan and a great many more. The newspapers of Roanoke are very good. They are: The Roanoke Daily Herald, THE ROANOKE TIMES and the Evening World.

MAGGIE MAY BOWERS, Third Grammar Grade, First Ward School. Miss Stone, teacher.

IV. Roanoke, formerly named Big Lick, was a small country village where the cattle from the surrounding country came to lick salt from a large rock near it, from which it obtained its former name.

It was afterwards named Roanoke, from which an Indian name of Rawenone, which meant son-shell, which they used as their money.

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## WHO ASSAULTED MR. MASSIE?

### Nobody Prosecutes the Negroes Arrested.

The Commonwealth's Attorney Fails to Appear Against Them, and No Evidence to Prove the Guilt of the Men—Judge Williams Strains a Point and Admits Them to Bail for Further Investigation.

Judge Williams held a preliminary examination yesterday at 2:30 o'clock in the case of John T. Redd and Rufus H. Williamson, the men charged with assaulting Mr. Thomas G. Massie, the real estate dealer, as narrated in yesterday's TIMES.

When the case was called no one was on hand to represent the commonwealth, the commonwealth's attorney having informed Judge Williams that he did not propose to do detective work.

The police authorities had been unable to secure any further witnesses, and as Mr. Massie was unable to appear they stated that they were compelled to look to the commonwealth's attorney to protect the interests of the State pending Mr. Massie's attendance and a further investigation of the case.

Judge Williams had been notified to be in attendance at 2 o'clock to hear the evidence and judge of the culpability of the accused, but there was no show for a trial until a Times reporter fished the warrant from out some papers on Chief Morris' desk, while the jailer sought that instrument on the outside.

The magistrate reversed the usual rule, calling for the defense to show that they did not commit the dastardly outrage. T. T. Henry, the lawyer who defended Redd and Williamson, took this as a matter of course, and brought a cloud of witnesses to prove an alibi for his clients. At least, the magistrate consulted the representatives of the morning papers as to the time when the assault was committed, and then questioned the alibi-provers as to the whereabouts of Redd and Williamson at the time suggested by the reporters. These witnesses unanimously and minutely swore to the impossibility of either defendant being at the scene of crime.

No evidence was produced to controvert this testimony, nor even show that a crime had been committed, but Judge Williams concluded that the testimony of the newspapers was sufficient to establish the fact that the crime had been committed and released the prisoners upon \$300 bail each for appearance Saturday next at 2 o'clock, when he surmised that some one would be present to condemn the defendants with the cruel assault upon Mr. Massie.

Rumors were afloat throughout the city yesterday evening that Mr. Massie was in a sinking condition, but when a Times reporter called upon Dr. Stone in the afternoon that gentleman stated that Mr. Massie was resting easily and that he feared no permanent ill-effects.

The reporter also called at Mr. Massie's house at 5 o'clock last night where he was informed that that gentleman was suffering from the loss of blood consequent upon the severe cut in the back of the head and was in a state of nervous prostration. The blow over the right eye slightly fractured the bone, but the skull was not broken by the blow behind.

### A Bogus Check.

A negro, giving his name as Johnson, went into the store of W. W. Payne, in the northwestern part of the city, last night, and bought a pair of overalls. He had nothing to pay for them with but a check of \$9, signed by John Davis. Mr. Payne thought it was all right, and after the negro had purchased a dollar's worth of goods he gave him the balance in money. The check was endorsed by John Johnson, and was duly presented at the bank this morning, when it was pronounced a forgery by the officers of the institution. Officer J. G. Wolfe was given the case, and succeeded in effecting the arrest of Dallas Cuford, in connection with Officer Eanco. Cuford is believed to be the negro who passed similar checks on other merchants, as the checks are all drawn in very much the same way.

### Dr. Finney and Miss Duerson Married.

Miss Elizabeth Alice Duerson was married last night at the Episcopal Church to Dr. Jefferson Kinney. At 6:30 o'clock the bride came in, leaning on the arm of her brother, and was met at the chancery by the groom with his best man, Samuel Christian, and the two were made one by the rector of the church, Rev. Dr. Meade.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. K. Duerson. The groom is an oculist of this city. The two left last night for a trip north.

### More Subscriptions for Industries.

The following firms of the Real Estate Exchange have been added to the list of those subscribing \$250 each for the purpose of securing the new industry which the exchange intends establishing: C. O'Leary & Co., Neal & Paris, Nizinger, Bandy & Co., Webster Crowl Real Estate Co., Baker & Markley, O. D. Barr & Co., Scott & Rives and Featherstone, Andrews & Co., making \$2,000. Half of the \$10,000 required has been raised.

### Arrested for Stealing Harness.

James Jackson was arrested in Vinton yesterday by City Sergeant Ashworth as a suspicious character, he having two sets of harness in his possession, of which he could give no satisfactory account.

Officer John G. Wolfe went to Vinton after Jackson and brought him to the city. Wolfe instituted an inquiry, which revealed that one set of harness was stolen from Owens' livery stable.

## TROUBLE ALMOST OVER.

### The Hostile Indians Surrendering to the Officers.

OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 23.—[Special]—A Bee special from Pine Ridge agency says: "An Indian scout named Stands First, who has just returned from a visit to the Indian camp in Bad Lands, says the spirit of hostility still prevails there. All his efforts to induce them to come in was answered with jeers and war cries. The Indians said they had been ready to meet the soldiers for a month, but the latter were cowards and afraid to come out and fight."

PINE RIDGE AGENCY, S. D., Dec. 23.—[Special]—The police have arrested Messiah Dow in Red Cloud's camp. When they pulled the white blanket off they found an intelligent but harmless crank, M. C. Hopkins by name, from Nashua, Iowa.

He claimed he was here in the interest of peace, and that he has come because the Indians misinterpreted his message. He wanted to go to the Bad Lands, but Agent Royer changed the address to Chadron, starting him under an escort of police.

Some of the Indians are indignant over his arrest, while others laughed and said he was a crazy fool. None of the chiefs take any stock in him. None of Red Cloud came up to him and said: "You go home. You are no son of God."

The Messiah claims that he will go to the Bad Lands. One hundred friendly Indians have left on their peace mission. They took three wagon loads of rations.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—[Special]—Gen. Schofield has received the following telegram from Gen. Rager, under date of St. Paul, Minn., December 22d: "Big Foot, with his following, including some of Sitting Bull's fugitives and those disaffected Indians in the Cherry Creek district, Cheyenne river reservation, who joined Big Foot, surrendered yesterday to Col. Sumner. The rest of Sitting Bull's people came to Cherry Creek, with the exception of a few who may have sought shelter at Pine Ridge, and are on their way under escort to Fort Bennett for surrender. The Big Foot people will be sent to Fort Meade to those surrendering at Bennett, probably to Sully. The surrender and disarmament of these two factions practically ends the probability of any serious trouble with the Indians of Cheyenne River and Standing Rock reservation, and is a good step towards ending the whole trouble."

### REPUBLICAN FINANCIAL BILL.

The Census Bill Reported After Important Amendments by the Committee.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—[Special]—The Senate committee on finance this morning directed Mr. Sherman to report the Republican census finance bill. The measure was, however, amended in two important particulars.

The first was the exclusion of section four, which provides that when the national bank circulation falls below \$180,000,000 the deficiency shall be supplied by the issue of treasury notes, based on silver bullion purchases, or by direct issue of notes. The second amendment was the insertion of a provision for the issue of \$200,000,000 in 2 per cent. bonds, redeemable after July 1, 1901, the proceeds of which to be used to retire outstanding bonds.

No votes were cast in the committee against reporting the amended bill to the Senate, but it is understood that no one was bound to support the measure. The Democratic members of the committee consented to the report as they did in case of the original bill, reserving the right of opposition.

The bill was read twice and placed on the calendar and the discussion of the election bill was continued. Mr. Call addressing the Senate in opposition to it. Chairman Aldrich of the committee on rules was this morning instructed to report the closure rule to the Senate.

### A Charming Singer.

The Christmas exercises of the Greene Memorial Sunday-school were held last night in the Methodist Church, and consisted of choruses, solos, recitations and readings by the members of the school. All the children acquitted themselves well, and the entertainment was a decided success. A solo, "Because Don't You Know It Is Christmas," sung by Hattie Hart, a little girl, seemingly about twelve years old, which was charming.

### "Spartacus" and "Cleopatra."

The long journey which the Prescott-McLean Company are forced to make to reach Roanoke has compelled the abandonment of the Christmas matinee. The disappointment of those who had hoped to see Marie Prescott in the "Merchant of Venice" will be assuaged by the splendid performances of "Spartacus" Thursday night, and "Cleopatra" on Friday.

### The Vigilant's Ball.

The Christmas ball of the Vigilant Fire Company was held in the Vigilant building last night and was well attended by the firemen and their lady friends. The hall was decked with flags and bunting, and the dancing was to the music of Prof. D. von's band. The ball was for the benefit of the company.

### New Law Firm.

Major S. Griffin, of Bedford City, and William A. Glasgow, Jr., of Roanoke, have formed a copartnership for the practice of law in Roanoke. Major Griffin is well and favorably known throughout the district as a lawyer of experience and ability, and Mr. Glasgow is a young but promising attorney who has a bright future before him.

The people know the value of THE TIMES as an advertising medium. The merchants have filled its pages with notices of Christmas bargains.

## THE ANTI-PARNELLITE ELECTED.

### Hennessy Defeats Sully by a Vote of 2,527 to 1,356.

Dr. Tanner Bringing Suits for Libel Against Parnell—Sully Protesting the Election of Hennessy on Account of the Action of the Priests—200 Votes Challenged by the Parnellites.

KILKENNY, Dec. 23.—[Special]—The result of the election held yesterday to fill the seat for North Kilkenny in the House of Commons, made vacant by the death of Mr. Marum, was announced at noon to-day. The polling resulted in the victory for the anti-Parnellites, their candidate, Sir John Pope Hennessy, being returned.

The result of the election was as follows: Hennessy, 2,502; Sully, 1,356. Majority for Hennessy, 1,146.

A revision of the count shows that the vote cast for Hennessy should be 2,527 instead of 2,503, as at first announced. It is stated here that Dr. Tanner is bringing suit against Parnell for libel contained in speeches made by the latter during the late campaign. Leading members of the Parnellite party in this section after the announcement of the defeat of Sully were to be seen dolefully parading the court-house passages, apparently being very despondent. As a matter of fact, the Parnellites were not so discouraged as they might be expected, for it is admitted that it was really a victory for the priests and that had they not adopted the tactics they did the result of the election might have been different.

Vincent Sully has lodged a petition protesting against the election of Hennessy on the ground of influence on the part of priests, particularly referring to the priests' action in connection with illiterate voters of Castle Comer. It is stated that over two hundred votes are challenged by Parnellites.

### COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS.

The Speaker Puts Langston on the Committee on Education.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—[Special]—After reading the journal of the House to-day, on motion of McKinley, (and without objection) it was agreed that when the House adjourned to-day it would be to meet Friday next.

The speaker made the following appointments: Ways and means, Breckinridge, of Arkansas; commerce, Dickerson, of Kentucky; postoffice and post-roads, Rowland, of North Carolina; education, Langston, of Virginia; labor, Miller, of South Carolina; expenditures in Postoffice Department, Pinder, of New York; banking and currency, H. R. Hayes, of Iowa; naval affairs, McMeana, of California; Stone, of Pennsylvania; Wagner, of New York; public lands, Wright, of Pennsylvania; agriculture, McMillen, of Alabama; expenditures in Treasury Department, McDuffie, of Alabama.

### A Lurid Bank Fall.

LURAY, Va., Dec. 23.—The banking house of D. F. Kagey & Co., closed its doors here yesterday morning. The liabilities have not been stated, though it is said the assets will be more than sufficient to cover the bank's indebtedness. Representatives of a New York and of a Baltimore bank are now here, one of whom will make the assignment.

October 27 there was a heavy run on the bank, and it is thought that there has been a gradual withdrawal of deposits since. The bank did a large business throughout this section, and the failure, therefore, will affect a number of depositors here, though no serious results are anticipated.

### Two Important Appointments.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—[Special]—The President to-day nominated Henry B. Brown, of Michigan, to be Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, vice Samuel F. Miller, deceased. Judge Brown is now United States district judge for the Third district of Michigan; also Col. Charles Sutherland, surgeon, to be surgeon general with the rank of brigadier general, vice J. H. Baxter.

### Ernest Howard on Trial.

STAUNTON, Dec. 23.—[Special]—The trial of Ernest Howard, president of the Virginia Stock Exchange, arrested for alleged crookedness, was resumed to-day. The prosecution finished their evidence in chief, and the defense was commenced by placing the accused on the stand. He passed through a searching cross-examination. The accounts of the institution, all of which he managed, appear to be in much confusion.

### Tragedy at Danville.

DANVILLE, Va., Dec. 23.—[Special]—A shocking tragedy occurred here to-day. Edward Enoch, a railroad man, and James Gravett, a carpenter, were in a saloon and both were under the influence of liquor. They began to quarrel about some trivial matter and Gravett insulted Enoch, when the latter knocked him down and literally stamped him to death with his heavy boots. Gravett's head was crushed and he died almost instantly. Enoch was arrested.

### Two Negro Denizens in "The Jug."

Emma Robinson was arrested by Officer Eanes for having up her sleeve a dangerous knife, sharpened like a razor. Eanes turned the woman over to Officer Merriam, and as the latter was taking her to the station house, Lizzie Jackson interfered with the officer and was carried along. Both are negro denizens of Railroad avenue.

### The Weather To-Day.

Indications: For Virginia, fair Wednesday and Thursday, northwesterly winds, much colder, with cold waves.